UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

77224 7590 Mary E. Golota Cantor Colburn LLP 201 W. Big Beaver Road Suite 1101 Troy, MI 48084 06/10/2011

EXAMINER

SASTRI, SATYA B

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

1762

DATE MAILED: 06/10/2011

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/595,519	01/13/2009	Andreas POPPE	PAT-01156/BCI-0204	1997

TITLE OF INVENTION: OLIGOMERS AND POLYMERS CONTAINING HYDROLYSATES AND/OR CONDENSATES OF EPOXIDE GROUPS AND SILANE GROUPS, METHOD FOR THEIR PRODUCTION AND USE THEREOF

	APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
•	nonprovisional	NO	\$1510	\$300	\$0	\$1810	09/12/2011

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN <u>THREE MONTHS</u> FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. <u>THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED</u>. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above

B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or

B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL, or its equivalent, must be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted. If an equivalent of Part B is filed, a request to reapply a previously paid issue fee must be clearly made, and delays in processing may occur due to the difficulty in recognizing the paper as an equivalent of Part B.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail Mail Stop ISSUE FEE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

or <u>Fax</u> (571)-273-2885

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be used for transmitting the ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Blocks 1 through 5 should be completed where

ppropriate. All further ndicated unless correcte naintenance fee notifica	ed below or directed oth	ng the Patent, advance on nerwise in Block 1, by (a	rders and notification of a) specifying a new corre	maintenance fees w espondence address;	ill be r and/or	nailed to the current (b) indicating a separ	correspondence address as rate "FEE ADDRESS" for
CURRENT CORRESPOND	ENCE ADDRESS (Note: Use Bl	ock 1 for any change of address)	Fee par	e(s) Transmittal. This	certifi paper,	cate cannot be used for such as an assignmen	domestic mailings of the or any other accompanying it or formal drawing, must
Mary E. Golota Cantor Colburn 201 W. Big Bear Suite 1101	LLP	72011	I h Sta ado trai	Cert ereby certify that thi tes Postal Service w dressed to the Mail asmitted to the USPT	ificate s Fee(s ith suff Stop 1 O (571	of Mailing or Transn) Transmittal is being icient postage for first ISSUE FEE address) 273-2885, on the dat	nission deposited with the United t class mail in an envelope above, or being facsimile te indicated below.
Troy, MI 48084							(Depositor's name)
							(Signature)
							(Date)
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE		FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	₹	ATTOE	RNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/595,519	01/13/2009		Andreas POPPE		PAT	-01156/BC1-0204	1997
		OLYMERS CONTAINE DDUCTION AND USE T	NG HYDROLYSATES A HEREOF	ND/OR CONDENS	ATES	OF EPOXIDE GROU	PS AND
APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE	FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1510	\$300	\$0		\$1810	09/12/2011
EXAM	IINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS	7			
SASTR1, S	SATYA B	1762	524-556000	-			
. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 :FR 1.363). Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached. "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 or more recent) attached. Use of a Customer Number is required. ASSIGNEE NAME AND RESIDENCE DATA TO BE PRINTED ON PLEASE NOTE: Unless an assignee is identified below, no assigne recordation as set forth in 37 CFR 3.11. Completion of this form is N (A) NAME OF ASSIGNEE			registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed. NTHE PATENT (print or type) re data will appear on the patent. If an assignee is identified below, the document has been filed fo				
lease check the appropr	iate assignee category or	categories (will not be pr	rinted on the patent):	Individual Co.	rporatio	on or other private gro	up entity Government
a. The following fee(s) are submitted: lackgray 1 Issue Fee Publication Fee (No small entity discount permitted) Advance Order - # of Copies			 4b. Payment of Fee(s): (Please first reapply any previously paid issue fee shown above) A check is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fee(s), any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number				
a. Applicant claim	tus (from status indicateds SMALL ENTITY state	is. See 37 CFR 1.27.	☐ b. Applicant is no los	nger claiming SMAL	L ENT	TITY status. See 37 CF	FR 1.27(g)(2).
NOTE: The Issue Fee an interest as shown by the i	d Publication Fee (if reqrecords of the United Sta	uired) will not be accepte tes Patent and Trademark	d from anyone other than COffice.	the applicant; a regis	tered a	ttorney or agent; or the	e assignee or other party in
Authorized Signature				Date			
Typed or printed name			Registration No.				
his collection of inform n application. Confident ubmitting the completed	nation is required by 37 C tiality is governed by 35 d application form to the	CFR 1.311. The informatic U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR USPTO. Time will vary	on is required to obtain or 1.14. This collection is es depending upon the indi-	retain a benefit by the stimated to take 12 n vidual case. Any con	e publi ninutes nments	ic which is to file (and to complete, including s on the amount of time	by the USPTO to process) g gathering, preparing, and he you require to complete

submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/595,519	01/13/2009	Andreas POPPE	PAT-01156/BC1-0204 1997		
77224 75	590 06/10/2011		EXAM	INER	
Mary E. Golota	D	SASTRI, SATYA B			
Cantor Colburn LL 201 W. Big Beaver			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
Suite 1101			1762		
Troy, MI 48084			DATE MAILED: 06/10/2011		

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 265 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 265 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at 1-(888)-786-0101 or (571)-272-4200.

Privacy Act Statement

The Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579) requires that you be given certain information in connection with your submission of the attached form related to a patent application or patent. Accordingly, pursuant to the requirements of the Act, please be advised that: (1) the general authority for the collection of this information is 35 U.S.C. 2(b)(2); (2) furnishing of the information solicited is voluntary; and (3) the principal purpose for which the information is used by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is to process and/or examine your submission related to a patent application or patent. If you do not furnish the requested information, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office may not be able to process and/or examine your submission, which may result in termination of proceedings or abandonment of the application or expiration of the patent.

The information provided by you in this form will be subject to the following routine uses:

- 1. The information on this form will be treated confidentially to the extent allowed under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C 552a). Records from this system of records may be disclosed to the Department of Justice to determine whether disclosure of these records is required by the Freedom of Information Act.
- 2. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, in the course of presenting evidence to a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal, including disclosures to opposing counsel in the course of settlement negotiations.
- 3. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a Member of Congress submitting a request involving an individual, to whom the record pertains, when the individual has requested assistance from the Member with respect to the subject matter of the record.
- 4. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a contractor of the Agency having need for the information in order to perform a contract. Recipients of information shall be required to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(m).
- 5. A record related to an International Application filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization, pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.
- 6. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to another federal agency for purposes of National Security review (35 U.S.C. 181) and for review pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 218(c)).
- 7. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the Administrator, General Services, or his/her designee, during an inspection of records conducted by GSA as part of that agency's responsibility to recommend improvements in records management practices and programs, under authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906. Such disclosure shall be made in accordance with the GSA regulations governing inspection of records for this purpose, and any other relevant (i.e., GSA or Commerce) directive. Such disclosure shall not be used to make determinations about individuals.
- 8. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the public after either publication of the application pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b) or issuance of a patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 151. Further, a record may be disclosed, subject to the limitations of 37 CFR 1.14, as a routine use, to the public if the record was filed in an application which became abandoned or in which the proceedings were terminated and which application is referenced by either a published application, an application open to public inspection or an issued patent.
- 9. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency, if the USPTO becomes aware of a violation or potential violation of law or regulation.

	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/595,519	POPPE ET AL.
Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit
	SATYA SASTRI	1762
The MAILING DATE of this communication appea. All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RI of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 1. This communication is responsive to amendment dated 4/2	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in the or other appropriate communic GHTS. This application is subject and MPEP 1308.	is application. If not included cation will be mailed in due course. THIS
	<u></u>	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-3,6-18,21 and 23-26</u> .		
 3.	been received. been received in Application Notuments have been received in of this communication to file a release to the attached EXAMI as reason(s) why the oath or desire to submitted. Son's Patent Drawing Review (18 as Amendment / Comment or in 184(c)) should be written on the che header according to 37 CFR 1 sit of BIOLOGICAL MATER	this national stage application from the reply complying with the requirements NER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF reclaration is deficient. PTO-948) attached the Office action of Irawings in the front (not the back) of .121(d). IAL must be submitted. Note the
Attachment(s) 1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material /Satya B Sastri/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1762	6. ☐ Interview Sumi Paper No./Ma 7. ☐ Examiner's Am	il Date

Application/Control Number: 10/595,519 Page 2

Art Unit: 1762

EXAMINER'S COMMENT/REJOINDER/REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. This office action is in response to amendment filed on 4/20/11. Claims 1-3, 6-18, 21, 23-26 are now pending in the application with claims 16-18 withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim.

2. In view of the amendment, all rejections set forth in the office action dated 1/20/11 are withdrawn.

REJOINDER

3. Claims 1-3, 6-15, 21, 23-26 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims 16-18, directed to the process of making or using an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on 12/3/10 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory

Art Unit: 1762

double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Reasons For Allowance

- 4. Claims 1-3, 6-18, 21, 23-26 are allowed.
- 5. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

The presently cited claims are allowable over prior art to Matsumura et al. (US 6,676,740 B2) and Yamaya et al. (US 6,846,568 B2).

The Matsumura et al. reference discloses coating compositions comprising (A) 100 parts by wt. of an organosilicon compound having a hydrolysable group-bearing silyl group, and (B) 0.1 to 50 parts by wt. of a hydrolytic condensate of a reaction product and/or a mixture of a diketone with a mixture of titanium tetraalkoxide and an alkoxide of Zirconium, Fe, AL, Zn, In, Si, Sn, W and Mg (ab., col. 4, lines 43-54, claim 3). Disclosed working examples 18-21 include copolymers having γ-methacryloxypropyltrimethoxysilane or vinyltrimethoxysilane, methyl methacrylate, ethyl acrylate, vinyl acetate and glycidyl methacrylate, and having a solution viscosity of 43,000 to 39,700 centistokes.

The Yamaya et al. reference, also to the same assignee, discloses similar compositions comprising a hydrolysable silyl group-bearing acrylic polymer-containing composition in cured form. The acrylic polymer may be prepared from alkoxysilyl group-bearing acrylic monomers and copolymerizable monomer (meth)acrylate monomers such as methyl methacrylate and

Art Unit: 1762

glycidyl methacrylate. Working example 3 discloses a free radical polymerization of the three monomers (col. 23), a polymer having a molecular wt. of 125,000 and subsequent hydrolysis/condensation in the presence of acetic acid (col. 23, col. 27). However, neither the Yamaya et al. nor the Matsumura et al. reference discloses compositions comprising epoxy- and silane-functional oligomers or polymers having a number average molecular wt. in the range of 800 to 3,000 Daltons as claimed presently.

Therefore, the presently claimed invention is deemed allowable over closest prior art of record as per said art neither anticipating nor rendering obvious, alone or in combination, the presently claimed invention.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Satya Sastri at (571) 272 1112. The examiner can be reached on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7AM-5.30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. David Wu can be reached on 571-272-1114.

Application/Control Number: 10/595,519 Page 5

Art Unit: 1762

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273 8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

/Satya B Sastri/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1762